



# SEQUOIA BARK

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**MAY 28, 2025, AARON ALVAREZ MENDOZA (photography), in-person, 7:00pm, VMSC Sunset Room:** Aaron will be presenting a photo slideshow-style talk and will discuss general photography techniques relevant to each slide including lighting and equipment. Subcategories will include landscape, long exposure, studio, and magazine cover photos, as well as insights into "the art of the deal" in photography. Aaron Alvarez Mendoza is a photographer and visual artist passionate about the power and beauty of nature, digital photography, traveling to remote locations, community and his family. Aaron has been a part of nonprofit organizations for the past 20+ years, for example, as Visual Art Director at the Riekes Center, and he is currently the official photographer for four different private magazines. Aaron says, "As an artist, I joined Art Bias because it was an opportunity to grow my network among artists, art collectors, art enthusiasts and supporters. Now Joining the Art Bias Board will build my leadership skills to the next level." If you don't find Aaron working at his Art Bias studio #221, you might find him working at his new small gallery space, Silk and Stone, at 714 Kelly Avenue in Half Moon Bay.

**POPULAR VOTE SUBMISSION/REFRESHMENTS:** If you wish to participate in our Popular Vote this month, bring your entry to the meeting and hang it on a wall in the appropriate category. Camilla Roos volunteered to bring refreshments to our May meeting. As we will be having in-person meetings for the remainder of the year, more members need to sign up to bring refreshments from August to November. Please contact Marla Lehr.

APRIL 2025 VOTE WINNERS		
<i>Winner's Circle</i> 1st Place: Ann Gahagen 2nd Place: Marla Lehr/ Dave McClure 3rd Place: Jay Bergman/Catherine Delfs	<i>Popular Vote</i> 1st Place: Dani Weber 2nd Place: Premi John/Taki Stamates 3rd Place: Camilla Roos	<i>Photography</i> 1st Place: Marlene Cohen 2nd Place: Bob Hills 3rd Place: n/a

**SAG MEETINGS CHANGED TO WEDNESDAY NIGHTS FOR 2025:** The Redwood City Parks Department has requested that we change our meeting nights to Wednesday and we will be alternating Zoom and in-person meetings until June to determine which meeting form garners the most attendance. Along with this we have been assigned the Sunset Room instead of the Gold Star Room. Please make a note of these changes. The new Veterans Memorial Building (VMB) will not open until 2026, so we will continue meeting in the current VMSC. Visit our website at [www.sequoiaartgroup.com](http://www.sequoiaartgroup.com) under the Calendar/Demos webpage for more information about the following demonstrations:

- June 25, 2025, via Zoom: Sonja Hamilton (watercolor rocks and water)
- July: no meeting
- August 27: Inna Zatulovsky (Oshibana collage)
- September 24: Amy Rattner (watercolor)

**2025 SAG MEMBERSHIP DUES:** Please renew your membership dues as soon as possible, only \$30 for full member and \$15 for associate member (usually spouse). Either bring your check payable to SAG to our next meeting, or mail it to our Treasurer Dave McClure, 702 California Way, Redwood City, CA 94062-4007, and he will mail you the current member roster.

**MEMBERS' IMAGES AND BIOS:** If you haven't already done so, please email your digital image and bio to our webmaster Ann Gahagen at [amgahagen@gmail.com](mailto:amgahagen@gmail.com). She will then post your image and bio to the Artists section of our website at <https://sequoiaartgroup.com/artists/>.

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**MEMBER WELFARE:** We are happy to report that Jay Bergman is out of a rehabilitation center and back home, with some in-home care assistance. There is “no place like home” and additionally Laurel no longer makes daily long drives to visit him.

**MEMBERS ONLY VIRTUAL ART SHOW:** Tell all your friends and relatives to log on to our website at <https://sequoiaartgroup.com/membersartshow2024/> to view our 2024 Virtual Art Show. Hopefully this may encourage other artists to join our group.

**SWA UPCOMING PROGRAMS:** Check in for their Zoom connection on the Society of West Coast Artists website from 1:00pm to 3:00pm.

- June 21: Alan Tarbell (abstract mixed media)

**PACIFIC ART LEAGUE EXHIBITS:** The annual (PAL) exhibition is in their Romona Gallery through June 24. This free exhibit features painting, sculpture, photography, mixed media, and more.

**PORTOLA ART GALLERY:** Located at Allied Arts, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park, is open Monday-Saturday 11:00am-4:00pm. Their current exhibit is “Sacred Places of the World” featuring photographer Frances Freyberg and runs to May 31.

**MAIN GALLERY:** The gallery is located at 883 Santa Cruz Avenue, Suite 1, Menlo Park, and is open Tuesday-Saturday 11:00am-5:00pm. These rotating exhibits feature art books, ceramics, glass, jewelry, mosaic paintings, photography, prints, sculpture, and woodwork. Their current exhibit is “Out of the Wood” featuring Claude Godcharles woodworker and runs to June 1.

**ART ON THE SQUARE:** Four Fridays, 5:00pm-8:30pm with Music and Art on the Redwood City Courthouse Square. June 20, July 11, July 25 and August 22. Mark your calendars now.

**DeYOUNG MUSEUM OF SAN FRANCISCO:** Free Saturdays from 9:00am-5:00pm. Matisse’s “Jazz Unbound” through July 27; Leilah Babirye “We Have a History” through October 26; and “About Place: Bay Area Artists from Svane Gift” through November 30.

**LEGION OF HONOR GALLERY OF SAN FRANCISCO:** “Dress Rehearsal: Art of Theatrical Design” until May 11; Paul McCartney’s Photography 1963-64 “Eyes of the Storm” through July 6; Wayne Thiebaud “Art Comes from Art” through August 17; “Celebrating 100 Years at the Legion of Honor” through November 2, 2025.

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